

Amendments To the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A golf club head cover for protecting a head of a club
having a hosel connected to the head and a shaft connected to the hosel comprising:
~~a~~ an integral protective cover having an upper portion for fully protecting a golf club the head and
a lower portion for protecting a portion of the hosel or shaft, the protective cover having a
(toe and an opposite heel end);
a clip disposed about the lower portion of the protective cover and adapted for securing the
protective cover to ~~a golf club~~ the club; and
an open portion of the clip facing a ¹⁴ ~~direction opposite a toe end of the golf club head~~ ²⁰ the heel; and
the upper portion for enclosing the head (and without an opening for insertion or removal of the
head except through the lower portion.

Claim 2 (Original): The golf club head cover of claim 1 wherein the clip is a resilient clip. ✓

claim 3 (Original): The golf club head cover of claim 2 wherein the clip is c-shaped. ✓

Claim 4 (Original): The golf club head cover of claim 1 wherein the clip is disposed within the
lower portion of the protective cover. ✓

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A golf club head cover for protecting a head of a club
having a ^{shaft} hosel connected to the head and a shaft connected to the hosel the cover comprising:
a protective pocket adapted for fitting over ~~a the~~ head of ~~a the~~ golf club for fully protecting the
head of the golf club, the protective pocket having a toe end and a heel end;
a partially open collar adjacent to and integral with the protective pocket extending upwardly and
outwardly in a direction opposite a toe end of the head of the golf club; and
a resilient clip disposed within the open collar for retaining a shaft of the golf club;
an open portion of the clip facing the heel end; and
the protective pocket having no opening for inserting the head of the golf club except through the
partially open collar.

Claim 6 (Original): The golf club head cover of claim 5 wherein the clip is c-shaped with inverted ends.

Claim 7 (Original): The golf club head cover of claim 5 wherein the clip is metal.

Claim 8 (Original): The golf club head cover of claim 5 wherein the protective pocket and the collar have an interior lining.

Claim 9 (Original): The golf club head cover of claim 8 wherein the clip is disposed within the interior lining of the collar.

Claim 10 (Previously added): The golf club head cover of claim 5 wherein the resilient clip includes an open portion facing a direction ~~opposite~~ ^{heel} a toe end of the head of the golf club.

Claim 11 (Currently amended): A golf club head cover for protecting a head of a club having a hosel and a shaft connected to the hosel, comprising:
a protective pocket having an upper portion and a lower portion, the upper portion adapted for fully protecting the head of the club, the lower portion adapted for protecting a portion of the hosel or shaft of the club, the protective pocket having a toe end and an opposite heel end;

the lower portion having spaced apart sidewalls extending downwardly along the shaft; and
a clip ~~associated with the spaced apart sidewalls~~ disposed within the lower portion for securing the spaced apart sidewalls to the shaft, the clip orientated to provide an opening towards a heel end of the protective pocket.

Claim 12 (New): A golf club head cover, comprising:

an integral protective cover having an upper portion and a lower portion;

the upper portion having a toe end and a heel end for enclosing a club head of a golf club; and

the upper portion for enclosing the club head without an opening for insertion or removal of the club head except through the lower portion.

Claim 13 (New): The golf club head cover of claim 12 further comprising a clip disposed within the lower portion and adapted for securing the protective cover to the golf club.

Claim 14 (New): The golf club head cover of claim 13 wherein the clip includes an open portion facing the heel end.

Claim 15 (New): The golf club head cover of claim 12 wherein the club head is selected from the set comprising a wood, an iron, and a putter.